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Title: STEP VOLTAGE REGULATOR POLYMER POSITION INDICATOR
WITH NON-LINEAR DRIVE MECHANISM

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date
under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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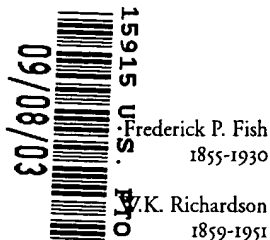
- Request and Certification Under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i), 1 page.
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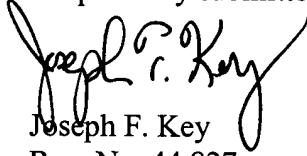
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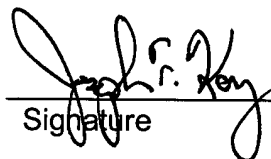
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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION
UNDER
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

First Named Inventor	Augusto D. Hernandez
Title	Step Voltage Regulator Polymer Position Indicator with Non-Linear Drive Mechanism
Atty Docket Number	08215-549001

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